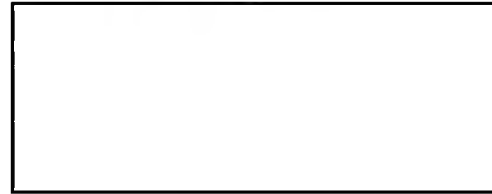


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CYPRUS: PRESIDENT MAKARIOS HAS AGREED TO
STRICT UN CONTROL OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK ARMS IMPORTED
LAST JANUARY, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] UNDER THE NEW ARRANGEMENTS, WHICH
PROVIDE FOR FAR TIGHTER CONTROLS THAN THOSE MAKARIOS
AGREED TO LAST MONTH, ALL THE ARMS EXCEPT FOR HIGH
EXPLOSIVES WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE BASE CAMP OF
THE UN PEACEKEEPING FORCE. THE HIGH EXPLOSIVES

[REDACTED] WILL BE PUT
UNDER A DOUBLE KEY ARRANGEMENT AND SUBJECT TO UN
INSPECTIONS. THE US EMBASSY IN NICOSIA BELIEVES
MAKARIOS GENUINELY WANTS THE ARMS ISSUE RESOLVED SO
THAT TURKEY CAN NO LONGER BLAME HIM FOR DELAYING
THE RESUMPTION OF THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS. RESO-
LUTION OF THE ARMS ISSUE WOULD ALSO PUT THE ARCH-
BISHOP IN A BETTER POSITION TO DEAL WITH ATHENS'
DEMANDS THAT HE RESHUFFLE HIS GOVERNMENT AND FOLLOW
GREEK DIRECTION ON CYPRIOT AFFAIRS. [REDACTED]

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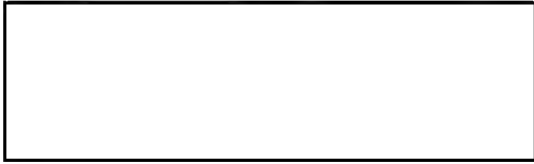
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